

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4512

INFO AMEMBASSY AMMAN

AMEMBASSY ANKARA

AMEMBASSY ATHENS

AMEMBASSY JIDDA

AMEMBASSY KUWAIT

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY ROME

C O N F I D E N T I A L BEIRUT 11619

EO 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC PINS IT SY (BATES, JONATHAN)

SUBJECT: BATES CASE

REF: STATE 192385; AMMAN 5202

1. WHILE LIMITED THIRD COUNTRY INTERCESSION WITH SARG  
MAY BE USEFUL, WE AGREE WITH AMMAN AND OTHERS THAT SHOTGUN"  
APPROACH WOULD BE COUNTERPRODUCTIVE.

2. WE DOUBT THAT GOL WOULD BE RECEPTIVE TO REQUEST THEY  
INTERCEDE OFFICIALLY ON BEHALF US CITIZEN PRISONER IN SYRIA.  
IN VIEW PRESENT DELICATE STATE OF LEBANESE/SYRIAN  
RELATIONS, GOL WOULD BE MOST RELUCTANT MAKE ANY DEMARCH  
TO SYRIANS UNLESS OWN VITAL NATIONAL INTERESTS INVOLVED.  
FURTHERMORE, WE DOUBT THAT GOL'S VOICE CARRIES MUCH  
INFLUENCE IN DAMASCUS. WE WILL OF COURSE ALSO  
(ROME'S 10453) DISCUSS MATTER WITH CARDILLI WHEN HE  
NEXT COMES TO BEIRUT.

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